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Lib. R. Indian did belong to the Mattawoma ffort and was seene by the subscriber at the Zachaiah ffort the 18th of this instant when the peace was made, and since made his Escape as he saieth.

Certified June the 26th 1681: Rando Brandt.

P. 205 Then issued by ordr of his Ldspp and Councill these following Instructions to Capt Brandt viz.

Instructions for Capt^a Randolph Brandt directing the Execution of his Commission to treate with the Northern Indians that make inroades in this Province.

Since we have certain Intelligence that there hath been tenn Susquehannohs and tenn Sinniquos dispatch'd from this greate party downe Pottomock with a Prisoner for their guide to trye what Indians they cann surprise, and since we have certain Intelligence that where the Susquehannohs meete either Indian or English they give noe Quarter. It is too apparent that the Northern Indians refuseing to treate with Captⁿ Brandt at the Zachaiah ffort is out of a designe to watch an oportunity to doe what mischiefe they cann To prevent therefore (if possible) more murder of his Majesties Subjects You are

- 1: ffirst to Demand Tenn Pascattoway Indians for your guides that soe you may employ them as your Scoutes to find out these Northern Indians in order to treate with them.
- 2: You are to secure these Indians from all violence other then what may be offered them as they are single when out upon discovery
- 3: If the forreigne Indians assault you, you are to defend yourself after the best manner you cann, and if overpowered to make as honble a Retreate as you may the number of the Enemys considered.
- 4: If you come to treate with the said Indians, you are to make noe peace with them but what shall equally include us and the Zachiah or Pascattoway Indians, the Mattawomans Choptico and all other Indians Inhabiting within this Province in peace with us and under our protection
- 5: In case you meete with the Northern Indians, and that they refuse to treate or doe not upon treaty conclude a peace with you. You are to lett them know that we have had severall murders committed of late, that we doe know there was tenn Susquesahannohs and tenn Sinniquos sent downe Pottomock with a Pascattoway prisoner for their guide, with ord to goe to the mouth of Pottomock and soe to goe up to the Northward which number of men have been discovered in severall